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Applicants: Burns et al.

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Sir:

In response to the second Office Action mailed on 26 September 2006, Applicants  
wish to amend the claims as provided on the following sheets, and to provide the following  
remarks: